<u>Reading Municipal Light Board of Commissioners</u> <u>Executive Session</u> 230 Ash Street Reading, MA 01867 December 7, 2011

Start Time of Regular Session:9:55 p.m.End Time of Regular Session:10:07 p.m.

<u>Commissioners:</u> Richard Hahn, Chairman Mary Ellen O'Neill Robert Soli

Philip Pacino, Vice Chairman Gina Snyder

<u>Attendees:</u> Vincent Cameron, General Manager

Approval of Minutes of October 26, 2011 Executive Board Meeting

Ms. O'Neill made a motion seconded by Ms. Snyder to approve the Executive Session meeting minutes of October 26, 2011 as presented.

Chairman Hahn called for a poll of the vote:

Chairman Hahn, Aye; Ms. O'Neill, Aye; Mr. Pacino, Aye; Mr. Soli, Aye; and Ms. Snyder; Aye. **Motion carried 5:0:0.**

MMWEC Arbitration Update

Mr. Cameron stated that he and the other systems (Danvers, Hingham, Georgetown, Littleton, Middleton, and Braintree) have decided to postpone the arbitration until the systems obtain three months of live PSA billings under the new billing system that MMWEC is currently installing. This decision was made because MMWEC has requested that the RMLD and the other systems sign a confidentiality agreement in order to view a demonstration of the new billing system. Signing the confidentiality agreement would keep any mention of the new billing system out of the arbitration. The RMLD and the other systems were in agreement on this.

Mr. Cameron stated that this postponement will not hurt the arbitration case and could prove beneficial to the case because it will demonstrate MMWEC's new billing system capabilities.

Discussion followed.

The Board asked that Mr. Cameron keep them up to date on the arbitration case as it proceeds.

Solar Energy Hub

Ms. Parenteau said that the RMLD has been in discussions with a company named Solar Energy Hub, a solar developer. Solar Energy Hub would like develop a 1.6 MW solar array on office building roof tops located at 1 Burlington Avenue, Wilmington, MA, formerly owned by Sweetheart Plastics. The RMLD would purchase the output of the solar development at \$.06/kWh for fifteen years. Solar Energy Hub would keep the solar RECs.

Discussion followed.

Mr. Soli made a motion seconded by Ms. Snyder to authorize the General Manager of the RMLD to finalize negotiations and execute a contract with Solar Energy Hub for the purchase of not more than 4 MW of solar power, in a term not to exceed 20 years, at a site at 1 Burlington Avenue, Wilmington, Massachusetts, consistent with the Terms and Conditions presented herein.

Chairman Hahn called for a poll of the vote:

Chairman Hahn, Aye; Mr. Pacino, Aye; Mr. Soli, Aye, Ms. Snyder; Aye, and Ms. O'Neill: Aye.. **Motion carried 5:0:0.**

Motion to Adjourn

At 10:07 p.m. Mr. Pacino made a motion seconded by Mr. Soli that the Board adjourn the Executive Session and return to Regular Session for the sole purpose of adjournment.

Chairman Hahn called for a poll of the vote:

Chairman Hahn, Aye; Mr. Pacino, Aye; Mr. Soli, Aye, Ms. Snyder; Aye, and Ms. O'Neill: Aye.. Motion carried 5:0:0.

A true copy of the RMLD Board of Commissioners minutes as approved by a majority of the Commission.

Mary Ellen O'Neill, Secretary RMLD Board of Commissioners